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WHOSE PLANE IS THAT HIGH UP IN THE SKY?
WHY IT'S THE AIRCRAFT AND MISSILE FIRM OF CAPTAIN MIDNIGHT, SLIDE-SHUTTING DOWN WITH A FATAL MESSAGE !!

YES FRIENDS AND HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP WIN THIS WAR! A MILLION TONS OF PAPER ARE SORELY NEEDED!! BUILD DANDY!!
TAKES AS LITTLE AS 5 MINUTES AND GOSH! CONSERVE PAPER BUNDLE PAPER DELIVER IT TO YOUR LOCAL SALVAGE DEPOT!
THEY GIVE THEIR LIVES! YOUR MONEY IS RETURNED!

ORDER IN ADVANCE! We are trying to economize 100% in the war effort. With this issue in view, and how to produce We therefore urge that you may never desire to surrender your copy of we are including of the same sort as this the way we recommend it would be, remember though we'll do our best to avoid it. We're cooperating! Will you? **RESERVE YOUR COPY NOW!**

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AND THE GUAYULE SCORCHER!

ON THE SUNNY RIO GRANDE BORDER COUNTRY OF TEXAS, A CRAFTY PLOT OF RUTHLESS DESTRUCTION BLAZES INTO ACTION! BUT AS HUNGRY FLAMES REACH FOR ONE OF AMERICA'S GREAT RESOURCES, VERSATILE CAPTAIN MIDNIGHT PLAYS THE ROLE OF A ONE MAN FIRE-FIGHTING DEPARTMENT!

NEAR EL PASO, TEXAS, CAPTAIN ALBRIGHT ANSWERS A CALL FOR AID --

CAPTAIN, HERE'S THE AREA WE'VE BEEN HAVING TROUBLE ON!

I HOPE IT'S NOTHING SERIOUS! THIS PLANTATION IS ONE OF MY PET PROJECTS. GUAYULE MAY EVENTUALLY YIELD A RUBBER SUPERIOR TO ALL OTHERS!

GUAYULE RUBBER PLANTATION EXPERIMENTAL STATION

MMM! THESE PLANTS ARE SPATTERED WITH OIL! BUT HOW DID THE OIL GET HERE?

THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO KNOW --- AND WHY!

FORTUNATELY THE OIL WON'T DAMAGE THE GUAYULE --

CAPT! IT'S RAINING! --- AND THERE AIN'T A CLOUD IN THE SKY!

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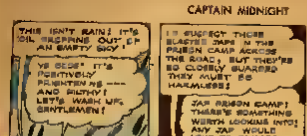
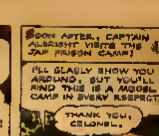

THIS ISN'T RAIN! IT'S OIL TRICKLING OUT OF AN EMPTY SHIP!
YE SEE! IT'S PERTINENTLY PRIGHTENS ME — AND FILTHY! LET'S WASH UP, GENTLEMEN!

I'D SUSPECT THOSE BEASTIE JAPS IN THE PRISON CAMPS ACROSS THE ROAD, BUT THEY'RE SO CLOSELY GUARDED THEY MUST BE HARMLESS!
JAP PRISON CAMP! THERE'S SOMETHING WORTH KNOWING INTO! ANY JAP WOULD LIKE TO SABOTAGE OUR RUBBER RESOURCES!


SOON AFTER, CAPTAIN ALBRIGHT VISITS THE JAP PRISON CAMP!
I'LL GLADLY SHOW YOU AROUND, BUT YOU'LL FIND THIS A MODEL CAMP IN EVERY RESPECT!
THANK YOU, COLONEL.

EVEN IN THEIR DAILY REST PERIOD THE PRISONERS AMUSE THEMSELVES WITH SPORTS. KEEPS THEM OUT OF MISCHIEF, THANK GOODNESS!
THEY GOSTA NLY SEEM HARMLESS!

YOU GOTTA GIVE THEM JAPANESE SOME CREDIT. THEY WORK ALL DAY BUILDING ROADS AND STILL GOT ENOUGH PEP TO PRACTICE JOLE VAULTING EVERY DAY!
YEAH, AND THEY'RE GETTING BETTER EVERY DAYS! AWAIN! HIGHER AND HIGHER!

YOU CAN SEE EVERYTHING IS RUNNING SMOOTHLY, CAPTAIN ALBRIGHT. I'LL HAVE TO LEAVE YOU NOW!
OKY AND I WILL JUST WANDER AROUND A BIT, IF YOU DON'T MIND.
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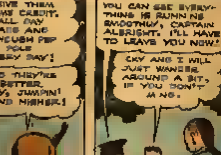
GOSH, IT SURE LOOKS PEACEFUL, HERE!
IT LOOKS TOO PEACEFUL, KOKY! WE'RE GOING TO HIDE IN THIS EMPTY BARREL AND OBSERVE THE JAPS WITHOUT THEIR KNOWING IT!


CONCEALED IN A BARREL, CAPTAIN ALBRIGHT SOON SEES A STARTLING CHANGE IN THE PRISONERS' BEHAVIOR!
INSPECTION OVER! WE'D BETTER GET BACK TO OUR REAL WORK—VIDEO!
HURRY, SWAP THE PELLETS IN THE HAMMOCKS!

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